Chauncy Place
Dec 13. 1852

My Dear Mary

It gives me great pleasure to write you a few lines & thank you for your very interesting letter of the 15th of Nov. I am writing in much haste & expecting Mr May every instant, so I have only time for this, & for acknowledgments of the arrival of the Bristol Box. It has been here some time & I believe Mr May has written to Mrs Thomas about it. Tomorrow Mrs May (senior) Miss Chapman my sister Deborah & myself, Mrs Loring & Anna & one or two others commence the unpacking & arranging. I shall be able to do this more comfortably & leisurely as respects your pretty things than at any previous year. We shall also be able to do much better at the time of the sale by them.

I cannot tell you with what satisfaction and interest I read all your letters & how I wish I could answer fully and at length every particular to which you allude. Perhaps after the Bazaar is over I shall be able to say something about ~~any~~ many subjects of which my heart is full.

It will just now interest you more than any thing else to learn that our prospects are quite as good as ever as respects the Bazaar, & that we hope to secure the main object that is the making of money albeit the fact of our small Hall may somewhat diminish our glories.

It will be every thing to me as a comfort & much as *essential* *help* to have Caroline's presence on the present occasion. She comes from N.Y. about the 20th accompanied by Lucia who has been staying with Mr & Mrs Gay at Staten Island.

I transmitted to Caroline the notes

received through Mr Webb's last letter & I shall very gratefully pull out any letters or documents that the Bristol Box may contain for me. When our return box comes I shall send you one or two letters that I think may interest you & give you a fuller idea of our situation & progress than I could otherwise do. I have a letter from a Mrs Ernst, a most excellent woman of Cincinnati, that I am sure will interest you.

I have great pleasure in telling you that my brother's health has much improved ever since his return to New York. He goes to his place of business for a few hours every day.

I always thought it a most unnecessary piece of trouble on your part, dear Mary, sending any account of your pecuniary matters at Bristol, but I concluded that perhaps you wished it published in the Bazaar Gazette for the benefit of some of the contributors. I do not know as it will be given me to write any

Bazaar Gazette at all, but if it
you had best select for the Advo-
cate any thing that you think
may be suitable for Bristol.

Will you give much love to Mr
Mitchell & Mr Estlin & tell them
I have great gratitude whenever
they favor me with a few lines.

We are all much charmed
with the Advocate the 3d No
of which arrived today. I devoured it
straight through at one sitting &
thought it all admirably fitted
to help the cause along in Great
Britain. *It cannot offend any
body that is not bona fide pro
slavery.* Give my love to dear
Sarah Pugh & tell how glad we
always are to hear from or of
her. I envy her her sojourn in
Bristol & feel that she cannot but
do good wherever she is.

But I must end as Mr May
is waiting here for my letter
lest I lose the mail.

Ever very truly & tenderly
yrs A. W. W.